

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
LOK SABHA**

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CRACKS IN PUNJABI BAGH FLYOVER
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Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item Captioned `Punjabi Bagh flyoverhas cracks` appearing in the Times of India dated January 23,2003;
- (b) if so, the facts thereof;
- (c) whether any inquiry has been conducted to ascertain the reasons for developing cracks in such a short span of time;
- (d) if so, the findings thereof;
- (e) the corrective steps being taken to remedy the situation; and
- (f) the action taken against the persons responsible for such construction?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI RADHAKIRISHNAN)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The Public Works Department (PWD) of Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi has reported that cracks developed in non-structural brick masonry facia walls.

(c)to(f): The PWD has informed that an inspection was carried out on 25.1.2003 by Managing Director of Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Ltd. to determine the reasons of cracks in the flyover. However the report from DMRC is awaited.The PWD has furtherreported that at the location of cracks in brick facia wall, chase has been cut and expansion joints introduced.